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Examiner: Archene A. Turner Group Art Unit: 1775  
Invention: "Decorative Item and Process for Producing the Same"

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Petition for Extension of Time in the above-identified application.

Small Entity Status is/has been asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.  
 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.  
 No additional fee is required.  
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					\$ <u>0</u>

A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed to cover the filing fee.  
 A check in the amount of \$ 110.00 is enclosed for a 1-month Petition for Extension of Time.  
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. An original and two copies of this sheet are enclosed.  
 Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.  
 Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

August 6, 2003

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Application No. 09/831,327  
**Response Under 37 CFR 1.116**  
**Expedited Procedure**  
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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

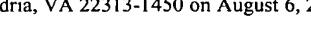
In response to the Final Office Action dated April 9, 2003, the Applicants submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time and the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks** begin on page 23 of this paper.

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